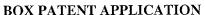


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Re:

Application of Jurgen HOFKENS

TELECOMMUNICATION SYSTEM FOR TRANSPORTING AND PROTECTING INFORMATION, TERMINAL, AND METHOD

Our Ref. Q62158

Dear Sirs:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including 28 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and 2 sheets of drawings. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date. Also enclosed is the Information Disclosure Statement.

Please see attached preliminary amendment before calculating Government filing fee.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	10 - 3	20 =	0	X	\$18.00	=	\$.00
Independent claims	4 - :	3 =	1	X	\$80.00	=	\$80.00 \$710.00
Base Fee							\$/10.00

TOTAL FEE \$790.00

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$790.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from January 21, 2000 based on European Application No. 00440015.6. The priority document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted, SUGHRUE, MION, ZINN,

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